

REMARKS

Claims 24-43 remain in connection with the present application.

Allowed Claims/ Minor Objections

Initially, Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 24-43 are allowed. With regard to the minor objections raised by the Examiner, Applicants have made the requested, non-narrowing amendments to the specification and drawings. Withdrawal of the objection and allowance of claims 24-43 is kindly requested.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, in view of the above remarks, reconsideration of the objections and allowance of each of claims 24-43 in connection with the present application is earnestly solicited.

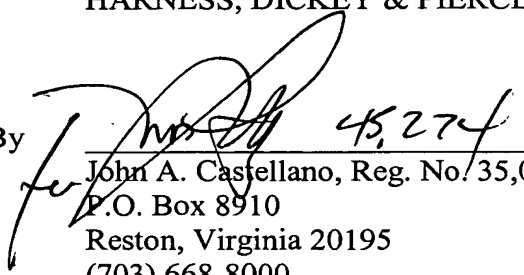
In the event this Response does not place the present application in condition for allowance, applicant requests the Examiner to contact the undersigned at (703) 668-8000 to schedule a personal interview.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Figures 1 and 2. These sheets, which includes Figures 1 and 2, replaces the original sheets including Figures 1 and 2.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets (Figs. 1 and 2)